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Appendix VII.

[Vide answer to question No. 464 asked by Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 26th August 1925, page 783 supra.]

Resolution No. 194.—Council resolves that a water and drainage tax of 8 per cent on the annual rental value of properties be levied with effect from 1st October 1925.

Resolution No. 195.—The levy of water and drainage tax shall not apply to lands exclusively used for agricultural purposes and not deriving any benefit from the water or drainage works on account of which the tax is imposed.

Resolution No. 196.—The buildings and lands, the annual value of each of which does not exceed Rs. 12 and the proprietor of which does not own any other building or land assessed to property tax, and is not liable to companies', profession or income tax, be exempt from property tax, including the new water and drainage tax.

Resolution No. 197.—(1) That the cost of head works should be borne entirely by Government and that, if water is taken from this scheme either directly or indirectly for irrigation purposes, the income derived therefrom should be credited to the municipality, and when these are done, the Council will reduce the water and drainage tax by at least 2 per cent.

(2) That in case the expenditure should exceed the present estimated amount, the entire amount over and above the estimated cost be borne entirely by Government.

(3) That no water from this scheme be allowed to be used within the Agricultural College and Forest College premises and holdings except on terms to be settled with this Council.

Resolution No. 198.—Council strongly adheres to its original resolution and again emphasizes the urgent necessity of including the Central Jail and the Police Recruits School buildings for taxation.

Appendix VIII.

[Vide Order of the Day No. III at page 792 supra.]

To

THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF
THE GOVERNOR OF MADRAS.

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed to report on certain draft amendments to Standing Orders Nos. 2 (2) and 6 (3) moved by Mr. G. Rameswara Rao, 40 (2) moved by Mr. J. A. Saldanha and 54 moved by Rao Bahadur C. Natesa Mudaliyar at the meeting of the Council held on the 3rd February 1925, have the honour to submit the following report.

Amendment to Standing Order No. 2 (2).

2. As the hon. the President has already made arrangements to keep Members informed of lapsed questions after each prorogation of the Council, we consider that no alteration of Standing Order No. 2 (2) is necessary.